

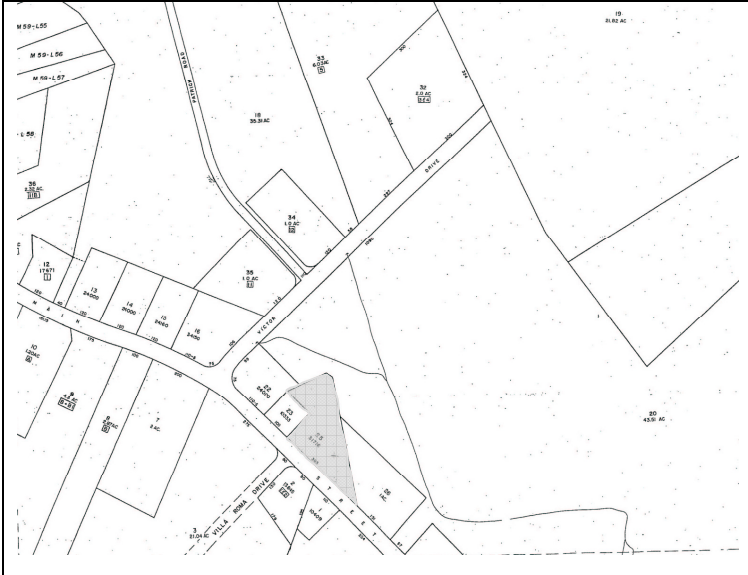
# FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

## Photograph



## Topographic or Assessor's Map



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**Town:**            Tewksbury

**Place:** (*neighborhood or village*)

**Address:**            1574 Main Street

**Historic Name:**    David Carter Homestead

**Uses:** Present:    Single Family Residential

Original:    Single Family Residential

**Date of Construction:**    c1788

**Source:**            Assessors Records & Vital Records

**Style/Form:**            No Style/Cape

**Architect/Builder:**

**Exterior Material:**

Foundation:    Granite

Wall/Trim:        Vinyl Siding

Roof:              Asphalt Shingle

**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:**

**Major Alterations** (*with dates*):

Rear Dormer (1968-late 20<sup>th</sup> Century)

**Condition:**            Deteriorated

**Moved:** no | X |    yes | |    **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Acreage:**              0.73 Acres

**Setting:**              Located on a major travel corridor in a heavily developed commercial area.

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\_\_\_ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

*If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

*Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.*

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

The modified cape dwelling at **1574 Main Street** rests on a granite foundation. The five by two bay dwelling is one-and-a-half story in height. A shed dormer addition extends across the full width of the north elevation. The side gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. The walls are clad in vinyl siding. The door is asymmetrically located on the front (south) facade. The entrance is flanked by two 1/1 sash windows flanked by shutters.

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

Assessor's records indicate that the house was constructed c 1780 and it is locally known as the David Carter Homestead. David Carter (1765-1815) and his wife Sarah settled in Tewksbury sometime prior to their eldest sons birth in Tewksbury in 1789. They had six children and the house remained in the Carter family until 1867 when it was sold to Frank Shanley, a farmer.

The house was likely constructed sometime c1788.

Frank Shanley, his wife Ann, and his family occupied the house until the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

In the early 20<sup>th</sup> century the house was owned by Miss Alice Duffy. Alice Duffy was a schoolteacher and in the 1930s worked in Lowell for Children's Services as a social worker. Alice lived with her cousin George Duffy, a Canadian immigrant who worked in Lowell as a steam fitter. Alice may have inherited the house from her father Joseph Duffy, a printer, who lived in Tewksbury with his sisters Anna and Mary, his nephew George, and daughters Alice & Helen 1900-1910.

Additional owners: Alice Duffy (c1919-1968); Frederick & Louise Donovan (1968); Louise Donovan (1997); John Sullivan (1997-2009)

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